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Applicant:

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Wood, E.

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING AN AQUEOUS PAINT

COMPOSITION FROM A PLURALITY OF PREMIXED

COMPOSITIONS

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The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In the Restriction Requirement mailed September 21, 2001, the Examiner stated that the application contains claims directed to three distinct species of inventions. The Examiner stated that the first species, claims 1-31, 42-54 are drawn to a method for producing paint composition. The Examiner noted that claims 49 and 50 refer to "apparatus" but they have been grouped with the method claims because they depend from method claims. The Examiner stated that the second species, claims 32-41, are drawn to an apparatus. And, the Examiner stated that the third species, claims 55-60, are drawn to a

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control program. The Examiner required the applicant to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits.

Applicants hereby elect for prosecution on the merits the first species, claims 1-31, 42-54.

Applicants request that claims 32-41 and 55-60 be canceled in light of a divisional application.

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Respectfully submitted,

Date: October 18, 2001

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